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1. APPARENTLY IN FOLLOW UP TO CHONA REQUEST TO ME REPORTED REFTEL, I HAVE NOW RECEIVED LETTER DATED SEPT 22 SIGNED BY ONE OF CHONA'S STATE HOUSE AIDES REQUESTING FOLLOWING INFORMATION ON CURRENT SITUATION IN PORTUGAL:

A. CURRENT POLITICAL SITUATION.

B. STRENGTH OF EACH OF THE MAIN POLITICAL PARTIES.

C. CHANCES OF COMMUNIST PARTY EVER COMING TO POWER.

D. EXTENT OF SOVIET INFLUENCE.

E. CHANCES OF PORTUGAL LEAVING NATO AS A RESULT OF THE REVOLUTION.

F. ANY OTHER INFORMATION WHICH MIGHT HELP (ZAMBIA) UNDERSTAND THE NEW PORTUGAL BETTER.

2. WOULD APPRECIATE EARLY RESPONSE REFTEL ADDRESSING AS FULLY AS DEPARTMENT CAN EACH OF TOPICS MENTIONED IN ZAMBIAN LETTER TO ME.

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